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FORMATION OF AN ADVISORY PANEL FOR RESEARCH WORK
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has recently formed an advisory panel for research;

(b) if so, the composition of this panel;

(c) whether the CPCB aims at developing a scientific database and technologies user friendly tools and methodologies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith steps taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a)&(b)The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)has constituted a Research Advisory Committee (RAC) for guiding and reviewing its research and development activities. The RAC comprises of experts from research institutions like National Environment Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur; Indian Toxicological Research Center (ITRC), Lucknow as well as organisation such as Department of Science and Technology (DST);Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF) and Confederation of Indian Industries (CII).

(c)&(d)CPCB has taken up a number of Research and Development (R&D)projects to develop data base for technical and scientific information and also for evolving pollution control technologies. This information is regularly published by CPCB in the form of technical reports and manuals.